



# CABLE RELEASE

Member of the South Western Michigan Council of Camera Clubs (SWMCCC)

## February / March Meetings / Workshops

Workshop – Critique Night	Thursday Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	Townhouse – 7:00 PM
Board Meeting	Thursday Mar 5 <sup>th</sup>	Townhouse – 6:30 PM
Projection Competition	Thursday Mar 5 <sup>th</sup>	Townhouse – 7:30 PM
Workshop – Wireless lighting	Thursday Mar 19 <sup>th</sup>	Townhouse – 7:00 PM

## Projection Competition Categories

### Digital

1. Nature - Open
2. Flower(s)
3. Creative
4. Special Events
5. Open – No nature

### Slide

1. Nature - Open
2. Wildlife
3. Autumn
4. Water (in any form)
5. Creative
6. Macro – Close Up
7. Open – no nature

## Upcoming Exhibits

March – Zia’s  
April – Mitchells  
books

See page 3 for details

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Please sign in using this email address: [www.fwpcslr@gmail.com](mailto:www.fwpcslr@gmail.com) and this password: fwpc2008

General info on the blog, and details on how to log in are available on the club web sites main page.

## Notes from Our President

I am totally amazed at the number of folks that attended the last meeting and submitted prints. It was like an end of year competition...we had 102 prints submitted! And a few of our newer members won as well! Congratulations! It is wonderful how we keep growing and the word keeps spreading about our club. I have heard from many new members that everyone is nice and helpful...which is so true...our members are the BEST! Sharing our knowledge, helping those who are new to photography and anxious to learn, and enjoying new friendships is what the club is all about.

There was also a great turnout for the NIK software workshop. I am still researching the best price for club members so watch for an email giving the details in the next week or so. I know many of you who attended plan to purchase one or more products, so I will do my best to get you a deal. I covered a lot of information in a short period of time, so if you would like to see the images from the workshop and what effect was used on the image, head to this web address to take a look:

<http://albums.phanfare.com/4906607/3438322#imageID=61001967>

Our next meeting is projection night...both digital images and slides. This will be the last time we will ever compete in slides, other than the end of year competition, so dig out those oldies but goodies and have a chance to win this one last time. Remember two slides may be submitted in each category, unlike digital images which is limited to one image.

And mark your calendar for Thursday February 26<sup>th</sup> for our critique night. For new members that is where you bring approximately 3 prints and have fellow club members critique what is great or could use improvement on the image. Then March 19<sup>th</sup>, our next workshop date when our club Secretary Dan Scheerer will discuss and demonstrate wireless lighting (flash and other creative lighting).

Some of our board members plan to step down at the end of this club year. Please consider doing your part to keep the club going and growing by becoming a member of the board. Your ideas, energy and help would be greatly appreciated.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting!

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# Print Winners for February

Color Category	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
1. Nature - Open	George Mundell	Jon Ingleman	Sharon Gerig
2. Self Portrait	Bill Christie	Dave Rowe	George Mundell
3. Blur your way	Bill Christie	Sharon Gerig	Ryan Harris
4. Close Up	William Aeschliman	Ron Patton	Jon Ingleman
5. Open - no nature	Bill Christie	Lynn Gerig	Jon Ingleman

Club Voting: 1<sup>st</sup>: William Aeschliman    2<sup>nd</sup>: George Mundell    3<sup>rd</sup>: Lynn Gerig

Monochrome Category	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
1. Nature - Open	Sharon Gerig	George Mundell	Jon Ingleman
2. Indiana Landscape	George Mundell	Sharon Gerig	Ron Patton
3. Camera/Comptr Art	Bill Christie	John Klein	George Mundell
4. Leap Day	Don Gagnon	George Mundell	Dave Rowe
5. Open - no nature	Emma Meyer	Bill Christie	William Aeschliman

Club Voting: 1<sup>st</sup>: Sharon Gerig    2<sup>nd</sup>: Bill Christie    3<sup>rd</sup>: George Mundell

## Upcoming Exhibits For Our Membership

### March

**Location:** Zia's Coffee, Sweets & More, at the corner of Spy Run and State Blvd.

**Exhibit dates:** The month of March

**What we need to fill the place:** approximately 15 large (12x16 or 16x20) and 10 small (8x10) frames

**When we need them:** by February 26<sup>th</sup> (opportunities to get them to George at the Workshop on the 12<sup>th</sup> and critique night on the 26<sup>th</sup>). Or they can be dropped at George's house (6409 Bittersweet Lakes Run in the SW) or at Don's house (2805 Nordholme Avenue in the NE). Call first to confirm someone will be there (G: 432-9696 D:484-3317)

**Special notes:** Zia's is also offering 50 cents off any drink for members.

### April

**Location:** Mitchells Bookstore (6360 West Jefferson Blvd – Covington Plaza)

**Exhibit dates:** The month of April

**What we need to fill the place:** approximately 35-40 large (12x16 or 16x20) and 10-15 small (8x10) frames

**When we need them:** by March 19<sup>th</sup> (opportunities to get them to George at the projection Competition on 5<sup>th</sup> and the workshop on the 19<sup>th</sup>). Or they can be dropped at George's house (6409 Bittersweet Lakes Run in the South West) or at Don's house (2805 Nordholme Avenue in the North East). Call first to confirm someone will be there (G: 432-9696 D:484-3317)

# Local & Regional Events of Interest

(if you have trouble with these links, please go to our web site at [www.fwphotoclub.com](http://www.fwphotoclub.com))



## ***Essential Photoshop (beginners) Class***

*hosted by Sunny Schick*

*Tuesday March 3rd, 6:30 - 8:30 PM*

*Held at the Signature Mac Store, 430 West Coliseum*

*Fee is \$10 per person, payable at the class.*

*Advanced registration required: call Sunny Schick at 260-424-1615*



## ***Using Your Digital Camera - Vacation & Travel Class***

*hosted by Sunny Schick*

*This is a two-session seminar.*

*The first session will be lecture, the second will be a critique session (bring in your pictures for tips on how to improve them).*

*Friday March 6th, 6:30 - 8:30 PM      Saturday March 14th, 6:30 - 8:30 PM*

*Held at Mitchell Book Store, 6360 W. Jefferson (Covington Plaza)*

*Fee is \$15 per person, payable at the first session.*

*Advanced registration required: call Sunny Schick at 260-424-1615*



## ***Outdoor & Nature Photography Seminar***

*by John Dykstra and Ed Post*

*Hope College, Holland, MI      Saturday March 7, 2009*

*All day seminar covers basic and advanced techniques for landscape and outdoor photography.*

*\$55 each (before Feb 1st) - otherwise \$65*

*Details at [www.johndykstraphotography.com](http://www.johndykstraphotography.com)*



## ***Epson Print Academy***

*Chicago - March 14th*

*Track One - for Advanced Amateurs and Photo Enthusiasts (\$80- one day)*

*Track Two - for Working Professionals (\$150 one day)*

*Note: NAPP members get a discount - check <http://www.photoshouser.com/>*

*Details on Track One:*

*[http://www.epson.com/cgi-bin/Store/PrintAcademy08/pa08\\_signup.jsp?BV\\_UseBVCookie=yes](http://www.epson.com/cgi-bin/Store/PrintAcademy08/pa08_signup.jsp?BV_UseBVCookie=yes)*

*Details on Track Two:*

*[http://www.epson.com/cgi-in/Store/PrintAcademy08/pa08pro\\_signup.jsp?BV\\_UseBVCookie=yes](http://www.epson.com/cgi-in/Store/PrintAcademy08/pa08pro_signup.jsp?BV_UseBVCookie=yes)*



## ***Garrett Museum of Art 1st Anniversary Juried Art Exhibit***

*March 13th through April 24<sup>th</sup> → Entries due by March 1st*

*[Details](#)*

*[Entry Form](#)*

*[Release Form](#)*

*[Map](#)*





***Using Your Digital Camera -  
Get The Most From Your Compact Digital Camera Class***  
*hosted by Sunny Schick*

This is a two-session seminar.

The first session will be lecture, the second will be a critique session (bring in your pictures for tips on how to improve them).

***Friday March 20th, 6:30 - 8:30 PM***

***Friday April 17th, 6:30 - 8:30 PM***

***Held at Mitchell Book Store, 6360 W. Jefferson (Covington Plaza)***

***Fee is \$15 per person, payable at the first session.***

***Advanced registration required: call Sunny Schick at 260-424-1615***



***Using Your Digital Camera -  
Get The Most From Your Digital SLR Camera Class***  
*hosted by Sunny Schick*

This is a two-session seminar.

The first session will be lecture, the second will be a critique session (bring in your pictures for tips on how to improve them).

***Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30 - 8:30 PM***

***Friday April 17th, 6:30 - 8:30 PM***

***Held at Mitchell Book Store, 6360 W. Jefferson (Covington Plaza)***

***Fee is \$15 per person, payable at the first session.***

***Advanced registration required: call Sunny Schick at 260-424-1615***



***Seminar: Photoshop CS4 Creativity Tour***

***NAPP - Instructor is Bert Monroy***

***Chicago, IL March 30 \$99 (\$79 if NAPP member)***

***Details at <http://www.kelbytraining.com/product/chicago-il-1-1-1-1.html>***



***Competitions - Getting Your Entries In On Time***

It seems we all have been getting a little lax about making sure we get our competition entries in on time, and it is starting to cause headaches for the ones getting the entries ready, and causing the meetings to get a late start.

***Remember: Your entries must be turned in by 7:15 PM.***

If we continue to have a significant number of late entries, we may be forced to simply cut off all submissions exactly at 7:15, and we would prefer not to have to do that.

# Photoshop Tip of the Month

by Don Gagnon

Lets say you have an image on a black background, and you want to add a white line or border around it, but you want some black between the image and the new white border. Piece of cake.

- Use the Stroke function (EDIT → STROKE) to add a black “border” of say 10 px (pixels). Set location to center. You will not see the 10 pixel black border (it will blend in with the background), although the edge of your image might seem to “move” slightly.
- Add another stroke, this time white, using the same method.
- Now you have a 10 pixel wide white line that is spaced 10 pixels away from the edge of your image.
- You can adjust the size of the first stroke, to adjust the spacing, and adjust the wide of the second stroke to adjust the size of the border.

This is a simple but effective way to make your image stand out from the background.

## Tidbits and News Items

**Sigma announces 18-250mm F3.5-6.3 DC OS HSM lens** . This new lens incorporates Sigma's original anti-shake compensation function, with a 13.8 times zoom ratio. This lens's Hybrid Optical Stabilizer provides not only an anti-shake function for the camera body, but also compensates for image shaking in the view finder as the Optical Stabilizer is built in to the lens. The lens has a minimum focusing distance of 17.7 inches. More info at [www.sigmaphoto.com](http://www.sigmaphoto.com)



**Digital Foci introduces the new Photo Book**, a portable digital photo album with an 8-inch 800 x 600 digital LCD color screen and 4GB of internal memory. You can simply load photos into Photo Book's memory from a memory card or USB flash drive. In addition, you can connect Photo Book to a computer via USB and easily transfer the data from your computer to the device. Photo Book including a leather-like case, power and USB adapters will be available May priced at \$189.00



**Adobe offers 'Release Candidates' of Photoshop Lightroom 2.3 and Camera Raw 5.3** Adobe has released Photoshop Lightroom 2.3 and Photoshop Camera Raw 5.3 Release Candidates, both available immediately for download from Adobe Labs at <http://labs.adobe.com>. The ‘release candidate’ label indicates that this update is well tested but would benefit from additional community testing before it is distributed automatically to all customers. Both release candidates provide additional raw file support for the Nikon D3X and Olympus E-30 cameras. In addition, the Lightroom 2.3 Release Candidate provides a solution to a memory leak that affected some customers of the Lightroom 2.2 release.

**Breeze Systems Releases Remote Capture Software for Nikon DSLR's** Breeze Systems has announced NKRemote 1.0; Windows based software to control Nikon DSLR cameras from a PC, for Nikon DSLR cameras and currently supports the Nikon D3, D700, D300, D90 and D200.

NKRemote 1.0 is available from Breeze Systems’ website [www.breezesys.com](http://www.breezesys.com) priced at US \$95, and runs on Windows XP or Windows Vista (32-bit versions only). Download a 15 day free trial from Breeze Systems’ website at <http://www.breezesys.com>